

Hebron Common Landscaping Committee
MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: March 14, 2024

PRESENT: Fred Kohout, Chair; Pauline Nadeau; Steve Aprea, Mavis Brittelli, Barbara Kohout, Secretary

Meeting called to order at 5:01pm; ended 6:12pm;

Approved Minutes for February 8, 2024

1. The Committee welcomed Pauline Nadeau as a new member;
2. New shade trees: Black Forest Nursery quote accepted for 11 trees which was well within the budget; includes planting, fertilizing and mulching scheduled for week of 4/22, Earth Day/Arbor Day week, weather permitting; Confirmed ongoing watering plan for trees & shrubs. Hoses with timers will be used again to water close to the Town offices; Use of water tank to irrigate new trees on Common.
3. Seeking Volunteers: Upcoming **Spring Cleanup Workday scheduled on APRIL 25, 9AM -12 PM;** **(Raindate 4/30/24)**. Planning weeding, edging & mulching; Other workdays (TBA) for painting Gazebo and LED lighting upgrades (after roof is repaired); Volunteers needed to help with watering schedule;
4. 2024-25 Budget Approved by the Select Board at \$12K on February 22, 2024; New projects proposed include Gazebo and Flag lighting upgrade;
5. Future planning for Bocce Court resurfacing in the Spring by Merrill Brothers, funding pending by donations (to Donate please contact Roger LaFontaine @ rrlafontaine1@gmail.com); planning dedication in May 2024 (games scheduled on Holiday Weekends and Family Fun Day in August);
6. New Benches (6) and Picnic Table Project; currently getting estimates for new furniture and memorial plaques; proposed funding by Memorial donations - if interested in donations contact Barbara.kohout@gmail.com; round metal picnic table (donated by Grafton) will be moved to the Hebron Beach;
7. AMERICA 250 Project Planning for 2026: currently developing a proposal to celebrate Anniversary on July 4th, 2026 by a permanent memorial on the Hebron Common; consideration of a granite "5-Point Star "or "Compass Rose" at the base of the flag pole in coordination with plans by other Hebron Committees and local organizations;
8. April 2024 Newsletter: planning by Mavis & Barbara
9. Other business: Discussion of coordinated Committee efforts with Ben Hall, regarding paving of the Town Offices parking lot, and with Stacy Darlington, regarding Annual Fair planning related to placement of new trees. Recommend upgrade of the Commemorative 1976 Bi-Centennial Plaque on the Hebron Small Common;

Next Meeting: 4/11/24

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Kohout, Secretary
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